

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 5, please amend the last paragraph beginning on line 17, as follows:

--As shown in Figures 4 and 4A, the tubular sweatband is woven of yarn 3 that readily absorbs perspiration. The yarn may be normal spun thread or spun thread having quick moisture absorbency. As shown, preferably only two lines of stitching are used, these two stitching lines being substantially parallel with one another and adjacent the longitudinal edges of the band. Unlike prior art designs, separate sewing of two unjoined ends is not necessary, nor is cutting of the fabric along the bias. Instead, the sweatband is woven to be tubular, forming a central tunnel 9c, and is simply cut to the proper length. In addition, because the fabric has good absorbency in itself, no additional fabric or vinyl inserts are necessary to obtain adequate absorption capability. As a result, manufacturers of caps using the inventive sweatband can maximize productivity and minimize production costs. Of course, material which increases absorbency can be added if desired.--